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AIR FREIGHT UP 15.2% IN JULY

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 29, 1988--Air freight increased 15.2 percent in July, compared to July a year ago, and was up 17.7 percent in the first seven months of this year for the 22 airlines reporting cargo data to the Air Transport Association.

Domestic air freight in July rose 11.7 percent. Mail increased 1.6 percent, and total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, registered a gain of 9.5 percent.

International air freight of U.S. carriers in July was up 19.0 percent. Mail rose 2.0 percent, and total cargo rose 17.5 percent.

In the first seven months of the year, domestic air freight had a gain of 14.7 percent, mail increased 2.9 percent, and total cargo was up 12.0 percent.

International freight during the first seven months rose 21.1 percent, mail was up 2.3 percent, and total cargo increased 19.2 percent.

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CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
JULY	1988	405,644	99,665	505,309	398,386	34,514	432,900	804,030	938,209
JULY	1987	363,311	98,118	461,429	334,671	33,824	368,495	697,982	829,924
PERCENT CHANGE		11.7	1.6	9.5	19.0	2.0	17.5	15.2	13.0
7 MONTHS	1988	2,714,286	741,067	3,455,353	2,476,390	241,173	2,717,563	5,190,676	6,172,916
7 MONTHS	1987	2,366,133	720,142	3,086,275	2,044,885	235,681	2,280,566	4,411,018	5,366,841
PERCENT CHANGE		14.7	2.9	12.0	21.1	2.3	19.2	17.7	15.0

NOTE: Carriers included: AirCal, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Hawaiian, Jet America, Northwest, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Southwest, TranStar, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.